


Parkinson's disease, and Group II, claims 17-20, drawn to a method for treating Parkinson's disease transdermally through the delivery of a levodopa compound. Applicants traverse on the grounds that the method of Group II claims is particularly well suited to use in conjunction with the apparatus of Group I and that a search of Group I apparatus claims would necessarily cover the method of Group II claims.

Applicants respectfully submit that there is unity of the inventions recited in Group I and Group II for purposes of examination. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the restriction requirement and an early and favorable action with respect to all of the claims in the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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